



## Indiana State Excise Police News Release

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### **Officers place 5 children in Protective Custody after Bootleg Investigation**

Sunday, December 9, 2007, Officers with the Indiana State Excise Police conducted two search warrants on two separate Indianapolis residences suspected of illegally selling alcoholic beverages. The first, served at 533 Lynn St., resulted in the arrest of both residents and three persons inside the home at the time. Officers arrested Ollie Little-Cook, 62, for Maintaining a Common Nuisance, Sale of Alcoholic Beverages Without a Permit, and Sale of Alcoholic Beverages When Times Unlawful. The other resident, Charles Cook, 81 was also arrested for Maintaining a Common Nuisance. Tonia Harris, 38, was arrested for Maintaining a Common Nuisance, Sale of Alcoholic Beverages Without a Permit & Sales When Times Unlawful. Lorraine Knox, 27, and Tarrance Battle, 25, were also arrested on charges of Visiting a Common Nuisance. The couple's five foster children, ranging in age from 3-10yrs. were inside the home at the time and were placed in protective custody. Officers also located and confiscated eight firearms inside the residence.

Another search warrant served at 3330 N. Arlington Blvd. resulted in the arrest of the owner of the home and two of his patrons. Officers arrested Walter Ballinger, 64, for Maintaining a Common Nuisance, Sale of Alcoholic Beverages Without a Permit, and Sale of Alcoholic Beverages When Times Unlawful. Officers also arrested Freddie Lloyd, 47 and Timothy Davis, 37, both of Indianapolis for Visiting a Common Nuisance. Davis was also wanted on warrants out of Marion & Vigo Counties.

